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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 23, 2001 and the Advisory Action of October 5, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 2.

Please amend Claim 1 as follows.

Claim 1. (Amended) A three-piece solid golf ball comprising a core, an intermediate layer formed on the core, and a cover covering the intermediate layer, wherein the core has a JIS-C surface hardness of 65 to 83 wherein a distribution of JIS-C hardness, when determined at any point between the center and the surface of the core, is within the range of 5,

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